# **FISCAL NOTE**

## HB 2226 - SB 2575

February 19, 2002

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Redefines, for purposes of property tax reimbursement, a "disabled veteran" as someone who has served in the armed forces and acquired a 100% permanent total disability resulting from having served as a prisoner of war for a period of at least 30 days or more. Current law specifies that such disability result from serving as a prisoner of war for at least 5 months or more. Removes the requirement that a 100% permanent total disability that is service connected be combat-related for the purposes of qualifying as a disabled veteran for property tax reimbursement purposes.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$500,000** 

#### Estimate assumes:

- approximately 700 additional disabled veterans would qualify for property tax reimbursement under the provisions of the bill.
- average payment of \$722 per applicant.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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